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APPLICANT'S SUMMARY OF INTERVIEW

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Sir:

The undersigned acknowledges the courteous treatment received during the course of an interview held with the Examiner on July 22, 2003.

Pursuant to MPEP 713.04, the following summarizes the substance of the interview:

Claims 1 and 19 were discussed.

It was pointed out that this invention is for a "combination vehicle alarm and locator system" (see page 14 of the specification). That basic combination is missing from the art of record. For example, Nantz has only a remotely operated security system. Petite has a GPS receiver to provide location information. Hoffman has a security and tracking system. Rabanne has a system for tracking a child, for example. Only the teachings of this application could result in combining the teachings of these references to obtain the claimed invention.

It was noted also, in this connection, that claim 1 calls for two activation buttons, one for the alarm system and one for generating an alarm signal "to be transmitted along with said location signal for indicating that a holder of said alarm and locator device requires assistance at the location provided by said Global Positioning System" (claim 1, par. e)). There is no suggestion in the art for such a combination of features.

With regard to claim 19, it was pointed out that this claim calls for a plurality of operation stations positioned throughout the world and a central station for receiving continuous location and identification information , the central station upon receiving an alarm signal along with location and user identification signal for the portable unit, alerting an operation station nearest to the portable unit for providing assistance to the holder of the portable unit. No art was cited for this feature of the claimed invention.

The undersigned urged that in view of the above arguments, the amendment should be entered and the application passed to issue.

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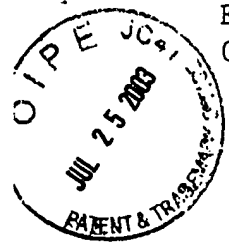
A favorable action is solicited.

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